

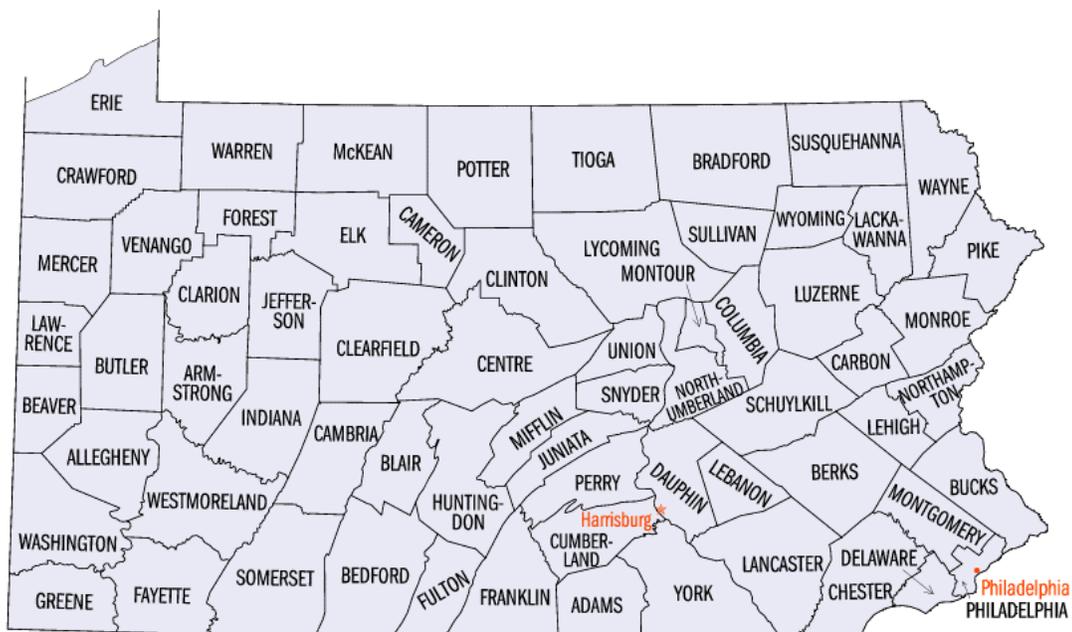
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Profile of Drug Indicators

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Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

Demographics¹

- Population (2000 Census): 48,950
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 28.6% white; 53.7% black/African American; 0.3% American Indian/Alaska Native; 2.8% Asian; 0.0% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 0.2% other race; 2.6% two or more races; 11.7% Hispanic/Latino (of any race)
- Harrisburg is located in Dauphin County.

Politics

- Mayor: Stephen Reed²
- City Council: Richard House, Jr. (President), John Wright (Vice President), Otto Banks, Vera White-Reynolds, Patricia Stringer, Linda Thompson, Eric Waters³
- Police Chief: Charles Keller⁴
- Dauphin County Sheriff: Jack Lotwick⁵

Programs/Initiatives

- Citizen's Drug Task Force⁶
School officials, drug prevention specialists and law enforcement from Dauphin County have developed the Citizen's Drug Task Force to investigate club drugs and develop ideas to fight the club drug problem in the county. The Task Force will also enlighten parents and educators on the signs and symptoms of club drug use.

Federal Funding

- Drug-Free Communities Support Program⁷
Since FY 1998 when funding was first made available through Drug-Free Communities, no coalitions in Harrisburg have ever received funding.
- Executive Office for Weed and Seed⁸
There are no sites in Harrisburg that have been officially recognized as Weed and Seed sites.
- Harrisburg did not receive any funding through the FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Grant Program.⁹
- Harrisburg did not receive any methamphetamine funding in 2002 from the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.¹⁰
- There were no recipients of the FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant in Harrisburg.¹¹
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) FY 2002 Discretionary Funds received in Harrisburg:¹²
 - Center for Mental Health Services:
 - \$1,126,773 to the Pennsylvania Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; project period: 11/01/01-10/31/02

- \$100,000 to the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- \$368,000 to Dauphin County Home and Hospital; project period: 9/30/02-9/29/05
- \$60,000 to the Pennsylvania Mental Health Consumer Association; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- Center for Substance Abuse Prevention:
 - \$3,000,000 to the Pennsylvania Department of Health; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
 - \$400,000 to the Pennsylvania Department of Health; project period: 10/29/01-10/28/03
 - \$470,890 to Hamilton Health Care; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment:
 - \$47,727 to the Pennsylvania Department of Health; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/03
 - \$362,500 to the Pennsylvania Department of Health; project period: 10/29/01-10/28/03
 - \$275,000 to the Pennsylvania Recovery Organization Alliance; project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts for Harrisburg:¹³
 - \$27,497,659 in discretionary funds
 - \$57,359,535 in formula funds

Crime and Drug-Related Crime

- From January to May 2003, there were 6 adult arrests for murder/non-negligent manslaughter in Harrisburg. During full year 2002, there were 13 such arrests.¹⁴

Number of Adult Arrests for Index Offenses, Harrisburg, 2000-May 2003

Offense	Full Year 2000	Full Year 2001	Full Year 2002	Jan.-May 2003
Murder/non-neg. mansl.	11	8	13	6
Forcible rape	8	15	21	2
Robbery	88	125	102	47
Aggravated assault	145	152	168	69
Burglary	74	83	54	21
Larceny-theft	203	229	203	78
Motor vehicle theft	35	34	18	8
Arson	0	0	2	3

- From January to May 2003, there were 194 adult arrests for the possession of opium/cocaine in Harrisburg. During full year 2002, there were 277 such arrests.¹⁵

Number of Adult Arrests for Drug Offenses, Harrisburg, 2000-May 2003

Offense	Full Year 2000	Full Year 2001	Full Year 2002	Jan.-May 2003
Sale/manufacturing				
Opium/cocaine	511	467	450	143
Marijuana	65	53	62	46
Synthetic	9	10	13	4
Other	7	9	4	1
Possession				
Opium/cocaine	195	334	277	194
Marijuana	196	240	249	116
Synthetic	10	17	17	9
Other	33	36	35	7

Drugs

➤ Cocaine

Cocaine, particularly crack, is the drug of concern in Harrisburg. In 2001, powder cocaine sold for \$1,000-\$1,400/ounce and \$55,000 for three kilograms in Harrisburg.¹⁶

➤ Heroin

In Harrisburg in 2001, heroin sold for \$14-\$20/bag, \$2,000/ounce, and \$100,000/kilogram.¹⁷

➤ Marijuana

Marijuana sold for \$100-\$170/ounce and \$1,500-\$2,000/pound in Harrisburg during 2001.¹⁸

Juveniles

- From January to May 2003, there were 2 juvenile arrests for murder/non-negligent manslaughter in Harrisburg. During full year 2002, there were 4 such arrests.¹⁹

Number of Juvenile Arrests for Index Offenses, Harrisburg, 2000-May 2003

Offense	Full Year 2000	Full Year 2001	Full Year 2002	Jan.-May 2003
Murder/non-neg. mansl.	0	1	4	2
Forcible rape	4	3	7	2
Robbery	28	55	55	22
Aggravated assault	72	109	99	65
Burglary	57	19	47	13
Larceny-theft	46	67	55	36
Motor vehicle theft	24	12	14	3
Arson	5	0	6	1

- From January to May 2003, there were 7 juvenile arrests for the possession of opium/cocaine in Harrisburg. During full year 2002, there were 25 such arrests.²⁰

Number of Juvenile Arrests for Drug Offenses, Harrisburg, 2000-May 2003

Offense	Full Year 2000	Full Year 2001	Full Year 2002	Jan.-May 2003
Sale/manufacturing				
Opium/cocaine	61	62	73	36
Marijuana	9	5	7	4
Synthetic	2	2	0	0
Other	4	0	1	0
Possession				
Opium/cocaine	14	22	25	7
Marijuana	31	39	33	22
Synthetic	3	0	0	0
Other	1	0	2	0

Enforcement

- In 2001, the Harrisburg Police Bureau consisted of 229 employees (sworn and civilian personnel).²¹

Trafficking and Seizures

- The Harrisburg International Airport is one of five international airports in the state that may be exploited by drug smugglers.²²

Treatment

- In FY 2000/2001, there were 714 first-time admissions to inpatient treatment services in Dauphin County. There were also 64 admissions involving two or more stays in treatment.²³

Number of Admissions to Inpatient Services, Dauphin County, FY 2000/2001

Type of Service	One Treatment Stay	Two or More Treatment Stays*
Adult detox	331	37
Short term adult rehab	143	5
Adult halfway house	70	3
Short term dually diagnosed	69	5
Short term juvenile rehab	40	3
Long term adult rehab	25	0
Long term juvenile rehab	19	10
Women & children program	15	1
Juvenile halfway house	2	0
Inpatient totals	714	64

* Five or more days between treatment denotes another stay.

- There were 2,176 one-time admissions to outpatient treatment services in Dauphin County in FY 2000/2001.²⁴

Number of Admissions to Outpatient Services, Dauphin County, FY 2000/2001

Type of Service	One Treatment Stay	Two or More Treatment Stays*
Evaluation	912	35
Outpatient individual	509	142
Outpatient group	398	101
Intensive outpatient group	137	7
Intensive outpatient individual	130	23
Methadone maintenance	53	6
Partial hospitalization	37	0
Outpatient total	2,176	314

*Thirty or more days between treatment denotes another stay.

Courts

➤ Drug Courts²⁵

As of May 2003, there were no drug courts in existence or being planned in Harrisburg.

Corrections

➤ The bed capacity of the Dauphin County Prison is 1,030. The average daily Dauphin County Prison population in 2002 was above capacity at 1,263.²⁶

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